

Missouri Wheat Seedings Report

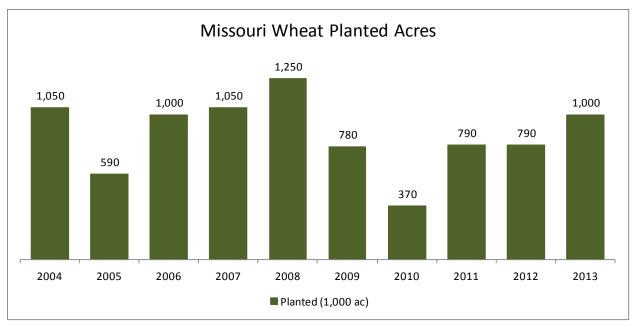


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A Million Acres of Wheat Planted in Missouri Last Fall

(COLUMBIA, MO) – Missouri farmers planted an estimated one million acres of wheat this past fall. This is the first year the planted acreage has been a million or more since 2008. Producers are coming off the second best wheat yielding year (57 bushels per acre) in the state's history. This represents and increase of 210 thousand acres (27 percent) over last year and 2011.



U.S. Highlights: Winter wheat seeded (planted) area for 2013 is expected to total 41.8 million acres, up 1 percent from 2012. Approximate class acreage breakdowns are: Hard Red Winter, 29.1 million; Soft Red Winter, 9.42 million; and White Winter, 3.27 million. Planted area for harvest in is up 1 percent from 2012 and 3 percent above 2011. Seeding began last August but by the middle of September was behind the 5-year average as producers waited for improved soil moisture levels. However, by the end of October, seeding had progressed ahead of last year and the 5-year average. More acres were seeded this year due to the early row crop harvest and higher prices.

Link to U.S. report:

http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/current/WintWheaRy/WintWheaRy-01-11-2013.pdf